so indebted; or if the action be founded upon a verbal or implied contract, shall file a statement of the particulars of the defendant's. indebtedness thereunder; if there are two or more plaintiffs the said affidavit or affirmation may be made by any one of them; or if all the plaintiffs be absent from the State at the time of the bringing of said suit, or if the plaintiff be a corporation, the said affidavit or affirmation may be made by any agent of the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or any of them, who will further make oath or affirmation that he has personal knowledge of the matters therein stated; and the said affidavit or affirmation may be made before any of the persons who may take an affidavit or affirmation to authorize the issuing of a foreign attachment, and may be certified in the same manner; provided, that when an executor or administrator brings an action he shall be required to prove the death of the party whose representative he claims to be, if proof of such death be demanded in writing within the time requiredto plead.

1886, ch. 264.

67. On all judgments by default that shall be entered underany of the preceding sections, the court may assess the damages on proof thereof, without empaneling a jury to do so.

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68. On all judgments entered in said court there shall be a stay of execution until the rule day or the first day of the term, whichever shall first occur, next succeeding the rule day or the term at which said judgment may have been entered, with the right to the defendant to supersede the same for six months from the expiration of said stay as now allowed by law; provided, however, that the court may, on motion in writing by the plaintiff or his attorney, showing sufficient reasons therefor, allow an execution or attachment or other proper writ to be issued at any time after the entry of judgment as aforesaid, and before the expiration of said stay.

P. L. L., (1860,) art. 21, sec. 58.

69. In all cases in the circuit court for said county, where, at the trial thereof, exception shall be taken to any opinion or direction of the court, and an appeal or writ of error shall be taken,